GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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PAK CONVICTS OFFERED ROAD TO FREEDOM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pak convicts are reported to have been offered road to freedom through Kashmir as published in the Hindustan Times dated November 12, 2000; and

(b) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken to counter the Pakistani move?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) There are inputs to indicate that a certain agency in Pakistanis making efforts to enrol criminals lodged in Pakistani jails to join terrorist organisations for carrying out acts of terrorism and sabotage in India.

(b) Issues impinging on our national security concerns are being constantly monitored. Our security forces are alert to thwart any such infiltration, and to deal with any mischief that may be attempted.